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(088802-2753)**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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DIABETES MELLITUS

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the FINAL Office Action dated December 17, 2001. It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment should be entered into the case because it either places the case in condition for allowance or reduces the issues for appeal. Specifically, amendment of claim 6 obviates a rejection for indefiniteness.

Accompanying this Amendment is a request for a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. Accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed.

**In the Claims:**

Please replace claim 6 with the following amended form thereof: